

PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES – APRIL 2, 2012

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 6:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. All commissioners (President Bill Amos, Louis Jody Fortwendel, and Thomas Hauser) were in attendance. Also present was County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, and a representative of the *Perry County News*.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL APPROVAL

Tom made a motion to approve all claims and payroll checks. Jody seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0. The commissioners signed claims dockets in the amounts of \$197,048.04 for county claims and \$82,314.00 for highway claims, and advance payment claims of \$21,397.00, \$1,498.12, \$4,618.04, \$15,155.00 and \$678.17 for a grand total of \$322,708.37. The payroll docket was approved in the amount of \$115,154.78 for payroll distributed on March 26, 2012.

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The minutes from the meetings of March 5th and March 7, 2012 had been sent to the commissioners for their review. Jody made the motion to approve the minutes as written, and Tom seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

County Highway Superintendent, Ed Feix, asked the Commissioners to declare the following two pickup trucks surplus property: 1994 Chevy and a 1998 Chevy. The trucks will be removed from inventory and sold for scrap. Tom made the motion to declare both pickup trucks surplus and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

PETITION TO VACATE ROAD

Attorney Michael Naville representing property owner Kirk Morrison appeared before the commissioners asking that they approve the request to vacate Utah Road. Mr. Naville explained that in October 2009 Mr. Morrison had filed a petition to have the road vacated. At that time there was a question as to where the road ended. Mr. Morrison's property adjoins land owned by the U. S. Forest Service. In July of 2010 the commissioners voted to not vacate Utah Road. Mr. Naville stated that after that Mr. Morrison sued the county for a court to make a discussion on the length of the road. Judge Weikert of Dubois County ruled in favor of Mr. Morrison after he sought a declaratory judgment on the issue. Mr. Naville explained that the judge ruled the road was a private road that didn't go to the forest service land. It as also stated that the forest service has access to their property by using Lavender Road. The other property owner that uses Utah Road will be given an easement in order to get to their property. County Attorney, Chris Goffinet agreed that the judge said the road does exist, however it essentially dead-ends in the middle of Dr. Morrison's property. Jody made the motion to approve the request to vacate Utah Road and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See Attachment "A" Ordinance No. O-C-12-3)

QUOTES – LEASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, explained that the highway department was purchasing several pieces of equipment and had asked for quotes for the lease purchase of the equipment. The lease purchase will be a 5 year lease in the amount of \$151,992. The following quotes had been received:

- Old National Bank – 3.49% - first payment due July 15, 2012
- German American Bank – 2.97% - first payment July 15, 2012
- Public Finance Company – 3.65%

Chris explained that the commissioners could make a discussion this evening or take them under advisement for review by the highway department. Jody made the motion to accept the quote from German American Bank and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ORDINANCE

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, explained that ABK Tracking of Evansville provides offender-monitoring services. The County Sheriff department provides an office and computers, and for that service they pay the sheriff's department a fee. County Sheriff Lee Chestnut is asking that the fees collected be placed in the non-reverting county prison reimbursement fund. The funds can be used for jail equipment, maintenance and operations of the jail after approved by the County Council. Jody made the motion to approve the ordinance and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See Attachment "B" Ordinance No O-C-12-4)

GIS DATA SHARING

The commissioners had before them an agreement to share the county's GIS data to the State of Indiana for them to include in a statewide database. This will be a 3 year agreement and the state will pay the county \$2,000 a year for the information. Tom made the motion to approve the agreement with the State and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The commissioners also had an agreement before them with WTH Technology to provide the requested information to the State of Indiana for the statewide database. The cost for this service will be \$1,500.00 a year. Jody made the motion to approve the agreement with WTH and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADA COORDINATOR

At a joint meeting of the commissioners and county council in March it was discussed that in order for the county to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act a coordinator would have to be named. Jody made the motion to appoint Commissioner Tom Hauser the ADA Coordinator for Perry County. Bill seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

Teresa announced the next meeting of the Perry County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 18, 2011, but because of early voting taking place in the commissioners room the meeting time will have to be changed. The commissioners agreed to change the meeting from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on April 18th.

The meeting ended in open session at 6:25 p.m.

Minutes approved this 7th day of May 2011.

Bill Amos, President

Louis J. Fortwendel

Tom Hauser

Minutes prepared by:
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